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Letter To The Editor

CLEAN-UP WEEK SUCCESSFUL

The hard work that all of you gave in making Clean-Up Week a success if greatly appreciated. We hope that Clean-Up Week has made you aware of one of the ecological problems we have in Appomattox and that in years to come each of you will make concerted efforts toward keeping our county clean.

Sincerely,
Appomattox County Clean-Up Committee

To the Editor

We would like to express our appreciation to everyone in the county who recently supported the Presbyterian Church Bazaar. It was indeed a success; and the friendship and fellowship promoted for the Glory of God will long be treasured by the Women of the Church.

Without the support of our church members as well as everyone else who came to the Bazaar, it would have been impossible for us to revive our annual bazaar after 23 years without one.

We are making plans now for another bazaar and we hope all of you will join us again next year.

Jane Pack & Judy Pugh
Co-Chairmen Presby. Church Bazaar

Bloodmobile

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permission forms and will be glad to mail them upon request or the 17 year olds may get the forms on the day of the visit.

The Rev. Earnie is now serving as Recruiting Chairman for Appomattox County is the blood program.

Mrs. Mary Katherine Whitehead of the Appomattox Junior Woman's Club is serving as Co-Chairman with Mrs. Harvey.

Make a note of the date and let us all do our part and help Appomattox County reach the quota.

Concord Squad Reports 49 Calls In October

Volunteers of the Concord Rescue Squad received a total of 49 calls during the month of October. They worked 174 man hours and traveled a total of 1,499 miles.

A breakdown of the calls is as follows: 4 auto accidents; 2 gun shot wounds; 10 transports; 6 falls; 1 heart attack; 3 breathing difficulties; 1 person electrocuted; 2 maternity transports; 3 calls to assist the Fire Department; 1 call for a dog bite; 1 for a spider bite. 1 burn; 2 cuts; 1 stand-by for football game; 1 over dose of drugs; and 9 miscellaneous calls.

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State FHA Executives Hold Meeting

On November 8th and 9th, Miss Carla Varner, State FHA President and Mrs. Betty Jo Smith, Advisor attended the November executive council meeting at the Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge in Charlottesville.

At the meeting the officers expressed their progress on their state project. Carla explained that with the cooperation of the many citizens of her community her project was beginning to take shape. She also explained that Mrs. D. O. Kepler has been a great help in planning her goals. She also expressed that she had received lots of help from the **Times-Virginian** for publicity and without the help of the Pamplin Ruritans with the donation of the trash can and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard G. Richardson and the use of their land, her project could not be successful.

After our 1st day meetings the State DECA officers who were also holding their state excutivee council meeting invited us to join them for a get together. We met each officer and had an enjoyable time.

On the second day major parts of the 1975 State Convention were discussed and plans began to take shape.

State FHA Report.

BIRTHDAY
Renee Quick ..... Nov. 19

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APPOMATTOX COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD

Pancake Supper Planned Dec. 6

Plans are being formulated for a pancake supper on December 6th at the Primary School. The Primary PTA is sponsoring the event so playground equipment may be purchased for the school.

Tickets may be purchased now from any member of the PTA or contact Mr. Robert Carter or Mrs. Robbie Matthews, ticket chairmen.

County 4-H Share-the-Fun Nov. 26

The 1974-75 Appomattox County 4-H Share-the-Fun Program will be held Tuesday evening, Nov. 26, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the new Appomattox High School Auditorium.

Twenty-four Junior acts will be presented along with a number of acts by Senior 4-H members.

A 25c admission fee will be charged to cover costs of using the school facilities. The public is invited to attend. The Virginia Cooperative Extension Service by law and purpose is dedicated to serve all people on an equal and nondiscriminatory basis. An Equal Opportunity/ Affirmative Action Employer.

Gladstone

Mrs. John Childers of Roanoke is visiting her sister Mrs. W. E. Akers.

Mr. Claude Stinson of Ohio Mrs. Julia Brown of Lynchburg, Mrs. Herman Johnson of Clifton Forge spent the week end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Burke Smoot.

Miss Vicki Moore a student at Southern Seminary Jr. College in Buena Vista spent the week end in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Moore.

David Jobe a student at VPI spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H D. Jobe.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Harris and children from Woodford, Virginia spent the week end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Harris.

Mrs. Alma Guill and Mrs. Ora Glover of Appomattox visited Miss Callie Harris on Sunday.

Mrs. Bea Wallace has moved to Appomattox to make her home there.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Spiggle on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Willis Pillow of Winchester, Virginia. Mrs. Cecil Snydor, Mrs. Betty Tucker Gina and David, Mrs. Julia Brown, Mr. and Mrs. George Brown and G.C. all from Lynchburg. Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Spiggle and Terri from Appomattox.

Mrs. Emmett Cunningham is spending this week in Richmond in the home of her daughter Mrs. Butch Martin.

Guest in the home of Mrs. Belle Mundy and Mr. and Mrs. Willie Cyrus this week is Mr. Drewery Rife and son Lincoln from Grundy, Virginia and Mr. Jack Watts from Manassas, Virginia.

Mrs. Webb's 4-H Club

In our second meeting we elected officers as follows: Dennis Fleshman, President; Jacqueline Harris, Vice-president; Henry Goode, Secretary-Treasurer; Ruby Goin and Tony Watts; Song Leaders, Brenda Smith, Reporter.

Mr. Smith told the club about coming events for members and told us about the duties of officers.

Brenda Smith, Reporter

The Sunday School Lesson

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Comment on the International Sunday School lesson for Sunday, November 24, 1974. Topic: Beyond Racial Boundaries.

Scripture: Jonah 1-4, "Should I not pity Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left . . .?

The timelessly pertinent message of the book of Jonah has been obscured by the marvel it relates, the prophet's deliverance from the sea in a storm through the medium of a great fish. The teaching of God's mercy and universality, however, transcends the miracle and makes Jonah and book rich in meaning for every age.

Jonah, the son of Amittai, of Gath-hepher, was a prophet who lived in the northern kingdom of Israel and prophesied either before or early in the reign of Jeroboam II. His prophecy of the expansion of Israel under that sovereign was sufficiently impressive for it to be included in one account of the history of Israel (2 Kings 14:25).

Because the account of Jonah's deliverance via the great fish has been so much and so strongly questioned, many believers have tended to omit the book from reading and study or to make it a topic of controversy. Consequently these miss a lesson God would have His people learn and put into practice. The book of Jonah may well record an actual event – certainly it is within the power of God to accomplish what is related in this book. Many Bible scholars regard the book as a parable, a story to teach a lesson, a method of teaching Jesus often used.

The book begins with the picture of a prejudiced man – a man God wanted to send with His message to a city and a people the man hated. As the capital of one of the most ruthless empires of history, Nineveh was synonymous with oppression of and cruelty to conquered and subject peoples. Because of the devastation Assyrian armies visited on Israel, because of the heavy taxes which had to be levied in Israel to pay tribute in Jonah's time, Jonah regarded God's call to take His message to Nineveh as having potential for Nineveh's salvation. He would have been happy indeed to see God's judgment visited on Nineveh in destruction. The last thing he wanted was to see that city saved.

So Jonah headed in the other direction: he took ship to Tarshish, a place in Spain near Gibraltar at the opposite end of the Mediterranean Sea. But God brought Jonah back to take the divine message of warning to Nineveh, and the king and people, as Jonah had feared, repented on hearing it. It was not a lasting penitence, to be sure, but it was sufficient for God to call off, for the time being, the destruction intended. Nineveh, to Jonah's chagrin, was not destroyed, and the prophet became peeved and annoyed with God.

The book teaches several lessons. One, man cannot get away from the presence of God. The God of Israel was lord of land and sea, not a tribal deity limited in power to a small geographical area. It teaches, too, that those who do not know God will hear his message, for example, the sailors and the Ninevehites, and may, at times, at least, show more respect for it than those who profess to be God's people. The book may contain a subtle prophetic rebuke to Israel for failing to live up to its missionary and evangelistic responsibility to preach God to other nations.

Above all, the book of Jonah teaches that God's love and mercy extend to all people and cannot be limited by the prejudices of the people who call themselves God's people. Race and nationality, language diferences and geographical boundaries impose no limits on God's love and grace and mercy.

Just as it says that God's fatherhood includes all and therefore man's brotherhood should embrace all people, the book of Jonah may be saying, also to Christians of the 1970's that the Communist world, the object of so much of our fear and prejudice, is a proper mission field; that the proper attitude to take toward these people is not a wish for their destruction but a desire for their conversion to the God who loves all men and sent His Son to make possible their redemption.

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